# DAILY PLANET

## ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

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## NASA's newest great observatory 'Chandra' unveiled Thursday

NASA's newest space telescope, the Chandra X-ray Observatory, will be unveiled at a ceremony 11 a.m.-1 p.m. CST Thursday at TRW Space and Electronics Group, Redondo Beach, Calif. Marshall manages the Chandra X-ray Observatory program for NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, D.C. Following the ceremony, the observatory will be placed in protective wrappings for shipment to the Kennedy Space Center, Fla., where it will remain in its protective covering until insertion into the Space Shuttle's payload bay. The Chandra X-ray Observatory is scheduled for launch aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia this spring.

**Unity Breakfast, 8 a.m. Monday, Von Braun Center, contact: 4-1365 or 4-1304**

## Section of Martin Road to close

Due to piping installation, a section of Martin Road will temporarily close from 6 p.m. Friday to 6 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19. Traffic will be detoured onto Beacon Street in front of Bldg. 4610.

## Microgravity lab dedication Friday; employees invited to tour at 1 p.m.

The new Microgravity Development Laboratory at Marshall, Bldg. 4493, will be dedicated Friday. From 1-3 p.m., Center employees and contractors will be given the opportunity to tour the new laboratory dedicated to develop and support science experiments to be flown on the Space Shuttle and International Space Station. This one-stop science building includes a clean room, chemical laboratory, fabrication shop and telescience support center.

## Center blood drive Friday

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive at Marshall 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday at Bldg. 4752. Those whose last names begin with A-B should donate at 8 a.m.; C-F, 8:30 a.m.; G-H, 9 a.m.; I-L, 9:30 a.m.; M-P, 10 a.m.; Q-S, 10:30 a.m.; and T-Z, 11 a.m. If you are unable to make your assigned appointment time, Red Cross representatives will be available until 1:30 p.m.

**'Safety is the top priority'**

*— Safety slogan submitted by Jimmy Cobb, CR90*